ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 11112.0001U2

PATENT VIA

SU-16-02

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Kerven et al.

Serial No.: 09/973,501

Filed: October 8, 2001

For: "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

AUTOMATICALLY SEARCHING AND ANALYZING INTELLECTUAL

PROPERTY-RELATED MATERIALS"

Group Art Unit: 2122

Examiner: Unassigned

RECEIVED

FEB 06 2002

Technology Center 2100

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

NEEDLE & ROSENBERG, P.C. Suite 1200, The Candler Building 127 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1811

December 27, 2001

Sir:

Submitted herewith on modified form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to applicants and/or their attorneys pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. Copies of these documents are enclosed.

Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-noted application are respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), i.e., before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits pertaining to the above-referenced application. Therefore, no fee is believed to

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 11112.0001U2 SERIAL NO. 09/973,501

be due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

NEEDLE & ROSENBERG, P.C.

David S. Kerven, Ph.D. Registration No. 43,712

Suite 1200, The Candler Building 127 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1811 404/688-0770

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the date listed below.

David S. Kerven, Ph.D.

27 Dec 2001